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U.S. Department of Transportation  
Docket Management System  
Docket No. FAA-2004-17681  
400 Seventh Street, SW.  
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Subject: Comments to Docket FAA-2004-17681, "Fuel Tank Safety Compliance Extension (Final Rule) and Aging Airplane Program Update (Request for Comments)"

Reference: Final Rule, Request for Comments, published in the Federal Register on July 30, 2004 (69 FR 45935)

Dear Sirs:

Boeing Commercial Airplanes has reviewed the subject Fuel Tank Safety Compliance Extension and Aging Airplane Program Update and provides the enclosed comments.

Please note that we have arranged our comments into two sections:

- The first relates to the extension of the compliance time for the fuel tank safety rule.
- The second relates to the proposals concerning the Aging Airplane Program.

Please direct any comments or questions to Ms. Jill DeMarco of this office at (425) 965-3005.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Draxler".

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